pinos are Malays—are cousins of the dark people of southern Europe} in other words, that the Filipinos are Caucasians or near-Caucasians. But now it is the august United States Supreme Court speaking and judicially holding that the term "white persons" excludes the Filipinos.[8] Until further proof is adduced, the Caucasian theory will have to be rejected. If the Filipinos are not Caucasians, any intimation that the Filipinos are black people must similarly be discarded.

Are the Filipinos Mongolians? This question likewise has reached the courts and there has been variously answered. The most recent decision coming from the State of California, where the race problem has been violently agitated, finds that the Filipinos are not of the Mongolian race.[4]

There you are. Just as the Filipinos were once judicially pronounced neither American citizens nor aliens, so do they appear to have no race which they can claim for their own. However, just as further study of the status of the Filipinos within and without the American system resulted in their being denominated "American nationals," so can a place be found for the Filipinos in the ethnological table. The solution is either to subdivide the Mongoloid type into (i) Asiatic Mongoloids, (2) American Indians, and (3) Malays including the Filipinos, or to add two additional grand divisions, the Australoids, primitive black people somewhat like the Negritos in the Philippines, and the Malays, among whom are found the Filipinos.

The Filipino's viewpoint on this subject is simple. He is content to be included among the Malays, and is not honored by having his people considered a branch either

of the Caucasian or Mongolian races. In other words, the Filipino prefers brown to white or yellow in the color scheme of the universe.

[8] "Morrison v, California," ^34 17. *S. Supem Court Advance Opinions,*
Vol. 78, No. 5, p. 37$.
* "Roldan v. Los Angeles County/* 1933,18 Pac, ad. S. 706.